



## **HOUSEKEEPING**

### DEFINITION & PURPOSE

Housekeeping refers to construction site management measures that are designed and implemented to minimize discharge of pollutants from the site. Chemicals, hazardous materials, solid waste, human waste and construction debris are some materials stored on site that can be sources of stormwater pollution without proper BMPs and good housekeeping. Follow manufacturer's specifications and refer to material safety data sheets for proper use and disposal of chemicals.

### CONDITIONS FOR EFFECTIVE USE

An effective management system requires training and signage to promote proper storage, handling and disposal of materials. Storage areas should be regularly inspected for compliance. Plans should contain notes clearly stating requirements for addressing potential pollutants. Provide sufficient temporary toilet facilities to serve the number of workers on the site. Temporary sanitary facilities should not be placed on top of storm inlets or near waterways. Secondary containment can be added at the base of porta-potties to address leaks/spills. The porta-pottie can be tied down using t-posts to prevent tipping over. Collection of trash and construction debris should be in covered dumpsters. Products should be stored in original containers and tightly sealed. Fueling should be done in areas that do not receive a substantial amount of runoff and do not drain directly to lakes, creeks, streams, rivers, sewers, groundwater, wetlands, or road ditches. Place waste receptacles near area of work and empty them on a regular basis. All fueling activities present on the site shall adhere to applicable federal and state regulations concerning underground storage, above ground storage, and dispensers. Hazardous wastes shall be managed according to Missouri Hazardous Waste Laws and Regulations. Install appropriate signage. Post guidelines for proper handling, storage and disposal of materials, and emergency spill clean-up on site. See [MDNR Guide Section 2](#) for additional guidance.

### INSTALLATION/CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURES

Good housekeeping starts concurrently with work at the site.

### OPERATION & MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

Inspect for good housekeeping in storage areas and throughout the site weekly and within 48 hours of every rain event which causes stormwater runoff to occur on site. Maintenance of temporary toilet facilities should be frequent and thorough. Make necessary corrections and repairs.

### SITE CONDITIONS FOR REMOVAL

Housekeeping measures can be removed at the completion of the project.